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SUBJ: 4TH BRIGADE ANTI-GUERRILLA OPERATIONS.

1. CONSUL MET THIS AFTERNOON SEPT 28 WITH COL. ALVARO RIVEROS, COMMANDER FOURTH BRIGADE HEADQUARTERED MEDELLIN.
2. RIVEROS TOGETHER WITH MIN DEFENSE CURREA AND ARMY COMMANDER HERRERA RETURNED NOON TODAY FROM A NORTH REGION RIVER MAGDALENA WHERE THEY OBSERVING BRIGADE OPERATIONS SINCE SEPT 27. CURREA AND HERRERA HAVE RETURNED TO BOGOTA.
3. RIVEROS EXTREMELY OPTIMISTIC THAT HE HAS GUERRILLAS IN VERY SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES FOLLOWING LAST FEW WEEKS OF STEADY ARMY PRESSURE. SAID MIN DEFENSE ALSO VERY ENCOURAGED.
4. RIVEROS SHOWED CONSUL ARMS CACHE CAPTURED FROM GUERRILLAS IN RECENT WEEKS, WHICH INCLUDES SOME 20 RIFLES AND SEVERAL HUNDRED ROUNDS AMMUNITION ALONG WITH A FEW GRENADES AND OTHER PARAPHERNALIA.
5. RIVEROS PROMISED PROVIDE CONSUL DETAILED REPORT RECENT 4TH BRIGADE ACTIVITIES AND CURRENT ASSESSMENT GUERRILLA SITUATION MAGDALENA VALLEY. SAID REPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON CONSULS RETURN FROM PUERTO RICO OCT 5. WILL ADVISE.

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